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SUBJECT: "BLACK DECEMBER" THREATENS AFGHANISTAN MISSION

1. ACCORDING TO DACCA PRESS SEPTEMBER 24, AFGHANISTAN
CHANGE D'AFFAIRES RECEIVED
LETTER DATED SEPTEMBER 18
THREATENING TO BOMB HIS EMBASSY UNLESS GOA, WITHIN 96
HOURS, RELEASED PAKISTANI MILITARY HELICOPTER AND
STOPPED ITS PROPAGANDA AGAINST PAKISTAN. LETTERAS
SIGNED "BLACK DECEMBER." ALTHOUGH CHARGE INFORMED BDG,
WHICH HAS PLACED ARMED RUARD AROUND HIS EMBASSY/
RESIDENCE, PRESS REPORTED THAT CHARGE IS NOT TAKING
THE THREAT SERIOUSLY AND CONSIDERS LETTER TO BE AN ACT
OF PAKISTANI AGENTS.

2. COMMENT: ACTUAL EXISTENCE OF "BLACK DECEMBER" OPEN
TO QUESTION. IN 1972 AND 1973, AWAMI LEAGUE POLITICIANS
RECEIVED SIMILAR THREATENING LETTERS AND ONE LOCAL
PAPER CLAIMED BLACK DECEMBER, DESCRIBED AS A "MUSLIM
BANGLA" (READ: PRO-PAKISTAN) TERRORIST GROUP, WAS
RESPONSIBLE FOR THE MURDERS OF SEVERAL POLITICIANS.
GROUP ALSO PURPORTED SOURCE OF THREATS TO INDIAN HIGH
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COMMISSION. WIT "MUSLIM BANGLA" NO LONGER TOPIC OF
MUCH CONCERN HERE, "BLACK DECEMBER" HAD, UNTIL AFGHAN
EMBASSY THREAT, FADED FROM VIEW.
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